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A	Seto et al., "Development of Personal Authentication Techniques Using Fingerprint Matching Embedded in Smartcard", The 2000 Symposium on Cryptography and Information Security, Okinawa, Japan, January 26-28, 2000. (W/English Translation).

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